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SUBJECT: LAMIZANA WARNS ILLEGAL OPPOSITION
1. (U) IN THE COURSE OF A NATIONAL UNITY SPEECH DELIVERED ON SEPTEMBER 25 AT THE INAUGURATION OF NEW PTT CENTER IN KAYA, ONE HUNDRED KILOMETERS FROM OUAGADOUGOU, PRESIDENT LAMIZANA INVITED "ALL PATRIOTS WHETER PARTICIPANTS... IN A DEMOCRATIC ORGANIZATION RECOGNIZED BY THE CONSTITUTION OR ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNION MILIEU, TO JOIN... NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION EFFORTS (FOR)... THE SURVIVAL OF THE COUNTRY." USING UNCHARACTERISTICALLY TOUGH LANGUAGE THE PRESIDENT THEN WARNED "THOSE WHO, OUTSIDE THE REGULAR AND CONSTRUCTIVE POLITICAL GAME OR OUTSIDE CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL
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EXISTENCE ARE TRYING TO UNDERMINE THE FOUNDATIONS OF ELECTED GOVERNMENT" THAT"...IF MY CALL IS NOT UNDERSTOOD I WILL BE FORCED TO RESORT TO OTHER MORE PERSUASIVE ARGUMENTS WHICH I HAVE HERETOFORE AVOIDED." THIS REMARK DREW A LOUD MURMUR FROM THE NIMEROUS VOLTAN DIGNITARIES PRESENT RESULTING IN A PAUSE IN THE SPEECH.
2. (U) THE SEPTEMBER 29 EDITION OF INDEPENDENT DAILY L'OBSERVATEUR OPINED THE VIEW OF MANY THAT LAMIZANA'S REMARKS WERE AIMED AT THE UNDERGROUND VOLTAN REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST PARTY (PCRV), A SMALL AND BY ALL ACCOUNTS INEFFECTIVE GROUP OF ACTIVISTS CLOSELY TIED TO OUAGADOUGOU UNIVERSITY. EDITORS CHIDED THE PRESIDENT FOR BESTOWING NOTORIETY TO THE INSIGNIFICANT PCRV.

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